

L. A. Chamber Notes Industrial Expansion in South Bay Area

Industrial growth in the South Bay area during 1960 rose to its highest point in the last four years, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce reported recently.

Continuing its role as the nation's third largest manufacturing center, Los Angeles County is expected to exceed earlier estimates of \$200,000,000 in new plants and expansions for the past 12 months.

That was the report from Harlan W. Holmwood, chairman of the Chamber's industrial development committee, which has been attracting companies to the Southland for many years.

He listed 43 new locations and 194 plant expansions representing \$177,080,500 in capital investments during the first 10 months of the year with November and December expected to add at least \$23,000,000 to this total.

MANUFACTURING

Holmwood said: "It must be noted that growth figures cited are for reported manufacturing development in Los Angeles County only and should not be considered as totals including all activities or activities bordering Los Angeles City and County where record growth is also underway."

"Los Angeles County is again approaching the 1956

record of \$344 million in reported developments, and the new upward trend is expected to continue in 1961. Reported manufacturing investment was \$156,643,225 in 1959 against \$185,120,800 in 1958 and \$163,758,000 in 1957."

Among the more important new Los Angeles area manufacturing enterprises are: Butter-Nut Foods plant; Fruehauf Trailer Company Missile Products Division; Mead Packaging; Taylor Forge and Pipe; Electro-Optical Systems, Pasadena; R. C. Mahon Company, Torrance (building fabrication of structural steel), and new West Coast headquarters offices of Carburetor Company and Pacific Abrasive.

Major plant expansions, Holmwood pointed out, include 114,000 square foot St. Regis Paper Company plant; Bendix-Pacific Division, Sylmar Bendix Corporation—first increment of multi-million dollar electronics center; first phase construction of extensive Magnavox Research Laboratories expansion in Torrance; Nortronics Research, Palos Verdes Research Park; Pacific Semiconductor branch of Thompson Ramo Woolridge, Torrance, and Purex branch plant, Lakewood.

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News Of Servicemen



PFC MICHAEL WARNER

ARMY PFC MICHAEL B. WARNER, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed M. Campbell, live at 1551 W. 214th St., Torrance, is scheduled to participate in the inaugural parade for President-elect John F. Kennedy in Washington, D.C., Jan. 20, as one of the Presidential military escorts.

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regularly as The President's personal honor guard. The group also performs ceremonial activities at high-level functions and provides guards at the tomb of the unknown soldier.

Assigned to the infantry's Honor Guard Company, Warner entered the Army in February 1960 and completed basic combat training at Fort Ord, Calif.

The 18-year-old soldier is a 1960 graduate of Narbonne High School, Harbor City.

THEODORE E. UNANDER, seaman, LSN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold T. Unander of 1536 1/2 W. 22628 St., Torrance, is serving aboard the radar picket destroyer USS Henry W. Tucker operating with the Seventh Fleet in the Western Pacific.

Marine Pvt. **RICHARD D. BRADY**, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Brady, of 2700 West 167th St., Marine Pvt. **BARRY D. PURDY**, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Purdy, of 2829 Onrado St., Marine Pvt. **JOSEPH S. RAUSA**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rausa, of 3753 Sandgate Dr., Marine Pvt. **BILL R. YATES**, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Yates, of 307 West Carson St., and Marine Pvt. **CHARLES L. BROWN**, son of Mr. and Mrs. David L. Brown, of 409 W. Fiat St., all of Torrance, completed four weeks of individual combat training Dec. 30 at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The course included the latest infantry tactics, first aid, demolitions, field fortifications and advanced schooling on weapons.

Trainees learn that all Marines are basically infantrymen, whether they serve as cooks, typists, truck drivers, or with aviation units.

MARINE PVT. MARION C. BOHANNON, JR., son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Bohannon Sr. of 1527 B. Marcelina Ave., Torrance, is serving with the First Battalion, Seventh Marine Regiment, on assignment to the Third Provisional Battalion Landing Team. The landing team operates from ships of the Seventh Fleet in the Western Pacific.

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MICHAEL J. DeHAAS, apprentice petty officer third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter DeHaas, of 21202 S. Dobie, Torrance, graduated Jan. 13 from nine weeks of Recruit Training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif.

Apprentice petty officers are chosen from the ranks of the seaman recruits to assist Company Commanders. The selection is based on individual aptitude and leadership qualities.

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Navy Commander Henry photo Official U.S. Navy

Naval Commander Max Henry Retires

Navy Commander Max W. Henry, 290 North Argonne, Long Beach, retired recently in formal ceremonies at the Long Beach headquarters of the Pacific Mine Force.

A veteran of over 28 years of naval service, Commander Henry, a native of Athens, Tennessee. They have two strategic assistant to nine different Navy admirals.

Since August, 1958 he has been Aide and Flag Secretary to the Commander of the Pacific Mine Force, currently Rear Admiral F. Julian Beaton. Commander Henry is married to the former Mary Hazel Sliger, also of Athens, Tennessee. They have two daughters, Mary Maxine, a student at Long Beach State College, and Barbara Camille, a student at Will Rogers, Junior High School.

He will join the Vickers Corporation of Torrance, California in the Administrative Department.

After joining the Navy in 1932 as an enlisted man, Commander Henry served in seven different submarines and earned his submariner's Dolphine. He was commissioned in 1942 and following World War II served in Washington, D.C. as administrative assistant to the Chief of Naval Personnel. He was commanded at this time for outstanding performance of duty.

Herbert E. Wood Appointed Agent

Herbert E. Wood, 23239 Zephyr Ave., Harbor City, has been appointed agent for the South Bay district agency of Prudential Insurance Co., it was announced yesterday by Clyde W. Emery, manager.

Wood was born in Ironton, Ohio, and attended public schools in Detroit, Mich. During World War II he served with the U.S. Coast Guard in the European theater. He is a member of the Masons and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

BROADENED INTELLECT

Numbers of employees throughout the land today bring home more than pay checks—and more than the experience they get in the particular job they have.

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Telephone Company Plans Expenditure Of \$100 Million in Area During 1961

Pacific Telephone will spend about \$100,000,000 in Los Angeles County this year for new buildings, equipment and improvements in telephone service.

James S. Cantlen, vice president and general manager of Pacific made the announcement this week after reviewing his company's scheduled growth and progress for 1961.

He said the entire economy in the Southland and the State will benefit from this huge expenditure, pointing out that it will provide jobs in construction and allied trades and that upwards of \$100,000,000 will be spent with California for various kinds of goods and services.

CUSTOMERS BENEFIT Customers, he said, will benefit through new and more modern equipment which this year he expects will carry almost 7,000,000 (7 billion) local and long distance phone calls.

Cantlen said his firm last year added 100,000 telephones to its lines, ending the year with 2,350,000, an increase of 4 1/2 percent over 1959 or about one phone for every 2 county residents. He expects the number of phones to increase by about the same number in each of the next two years.

"By 1970," he said, "we will be servicing double the number of telephones we serviced just five years ago."

He said skyrocketing population increases are accountable for Pacific's continued growth, pointing out that his company has spent an average of \$100,000,000 a year for service expansions since the end of World War II.

"The county is growing at the rate of 1600 people every 30 days," he said.

BIG TASK

The company's big task, as Cantlen sees it, is to expand fast enough to prepare for the growth and service improvements of tomorrow while maintaining today's high service standards economically. "We forecast that by 1966 7,150,000 persons will be living in the county with almost 4,500,000 of them customers of Pacific," he said.

In the area of economic contributions he pointed to the \$147,000,000 paid out by Pacific in wages and salaries last year as significant. He indicated this figure will increase in 1961 through employment of additional men and women.

Major construction jobs slated for this year include new buildings or additions in Inglewood, San Pedro, Van Nuys, Hollywood, in the Axminster district and at the International Airport where Pacific is installing enough equipment to handle a small city.

Biggest local construction West.

under way is the eight level communications center at 420 South Grand avenue in downtown Los Angeles for which land and construction costs are tabbed at \$5,700,000. After completion next May it will be filled with \$25,000,000 worth of electronic gear to handle all forms of communications, television, business data transmission, teletypewriter, as well as telephone.

DIRECT DIALING As an example of customer service improvements, Cantlen pointed to the steady expansion of direct distance dialing with which a customer can dial his own cross country calls.

As one highlight of 1960, Cantlen mentioned the communications network by Pacific together with other Bell System companies for the National Democratic Convention which, he said, constituted the largest concentration of temporary communications equipment ever assembled in one spot in the

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